



# Handy-NEWS & NOTES



January 2008

## PARATRANSIT TRIPS TO POLLING SITES

In 2008 our community and nation will make important decisions by selecting our local and national elected leaders. It's vital that people with disabilities take an active role in making our priorities known. So, we hope that everyone who can will register to vote.

To help in this effort, the Milwaukee County commission for Persons with Disabilities has committed \$3,250 to underwrite up to 1,000 paratransit rides to Milwaukee County Polling sites. So, there will be no charge to people relying on paratransit services to vote for the February 19<sup>th</sup> primary election. In cooperation with Transit Plus, arrangements will be completed in time for this important election. Look for any additional information in your February edition of *Handy-NEWS & NOTES*.

## ICE FISHING IN THE PARKS!

Challenging ice-fishing opportunities await you in the following park lagoons when weather conditions permit. **Ice on lagoons must be 6 inches thick in order to be open for ice fishing.** For current conditions, call (414) 257-PARK (7275).

**Brown Deer**, 7835 N. Green Bay Rd.

**Greenfield**, 2028 S. 124 St.

**Humboldt**, 3000 S. Howell Ave.

**McCarty**, 2567 S. 79 St.

**McGovern**, 5400 N. 51 St.

**Scout Lake**, 5902 W. Loomis Rd.

**Washington**, 1859 N. 40 St.

**Wilson**, 1601 W. Howard Ave.

## LOOKING FOR A HALL!!!

Are you looking for a hall for your next function? Would you like to rent a beautiful hall in a woodsy setting near you? If you answered yes, please use the link below (or call Bridget @ 414-278-3938) to check out the Wil-O-Way Grant and Wil-O-Way Underwood facilities. They may be just what you're looking for. But hurry, the 2008 calendar is filling up fast.

<http://county.milwaukee.gov/FacilityRentals7997.htm>

## VOTER REGISTRATION!

Are you registered to vote? If yes, great! Make sure you vote. If not, why not? In 2008 there will be election days on February 19<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, September 9<sup>th</sup> and November 4<sup>th</sup>. Don't let your voice be silenced, rather let it be heard. Contact your city clerk and register.

## RSVP...YOUR INVITATION TO SERVE

RSVP is a national network of active Americans, age 55+, volunteering their time and life experiences to make a difference in Milwaukee County. Opportunities are available at hundreds of nonprofits for monthly, weekly, daily and even one time assignments. Membership is free and easy. Tutoring, feeding the hungry, tour guides, ushers, friendly phone calling, or drivers to name only a few. Call 414-220-8655 to learn more. [www.interfaithmilw.org](http://www.interfaithmilw.org)

## SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETING Milwaukee County Government!!!

If you require sign language interpreting for any activities involving Milwaukee County government programs, services or activities, you are asked to contact the Office for Persons with Disabilities at any of the following.

414-278-3931

414-278-3937 (TTY)

414-278-3939 (Fax)

414-222-8109 (Emergency Pager)

[technikowski@milwcnty.com](mailto:technikowski@milwcnty.com)

<http://county.milwaukee.gov/SignLanguageInterpre8001.htm>

If you require sign language interpreting in the Milwaukee County Courts, please contact Jackie at 414-278-5295.

## VSA CALL FOR ART!

VSA arts of Wisconsin - 2008 Call for Art. Please call the Milwaukee office if you have an interest in submitting original artwork to the annual, state-wide art contest. Deadlines for submission are: Adults (16 yrs +): January 22, 2008; Children (5-15 yrs): January 28, 2008. For more information and details, please contact Heide at 414-489-0541.

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## SOCIAL SECURITY UPDATES

By Karyl Richson  
Social Security Public Affairs Specialist in Milwaukee

### A BOOST FOR PEOPLE WHO GET SOCIAL SECURITY

The New Year ushers in many changes. One important change for most people who receive Social Security or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments is a benefit increase in 2008.

Beginning January 2008, a 2.3 percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) will be applied to all Social Security and SSI payments. As a result, the average monthly benefit for a retired worker in January 2008 will be \$1,079 (up from \$1,055) and the average monthly benefit for a disabled worker in January 2008 will be \$1,004 (up from \$981).

For people who receive SSI, the maximum federal payment amount will increase to \$637 (up from \$623).

There are other Social Security changes in 2008 that also are worth noting. For example, in 2008, a worker will pay Social Security tax on up to \$102,000 of annual earnings (up from \$97,500). The tax rates remain the same. Employees will continue to pay 6.2 percent on their wages and the self-employed will continue to pay 12.4 percent on their net earnings. The Medicare tax rate will continue to be 1.45 percent (2.90 percent for those who are self-employed) and there is no limit on the amount of earnings subject to the Medicare tax.

A worker will earn one credit of coverage after paying taxes on \$1,050 in earnings (up from \$1,000). As always, four credits may be earned each year and a person generally needs forty credits to be eligible for retirement benefits.

To learn more about these changes that will take place in 2008 and to find other important Social Security information, visit the Social Security website at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov).

### WATCH OUT FOR SCAMS

It seems there are scams all over the place these days. You've won the lottery of some obscure country or a needy millionaire in Europe is seeking your help transferring funds to the United States.

These kinds of scams can be upsetting, particularly when you realize the reason they exist — because so many people fall for them.

Especially upsetting are the scams that target people who depend on Social Security benefits — and use Social Security's name in their shady dealings.

Recently, we have heard of a number of scams where individuals posing as Social Security employees call and ask for personal information like your name, Social Security number and bank account information. The caller alleges that we need this information so we can issue you additional funds or rebates or they allege that because of a computer glitch your personal information has been lost.

Another scam used an email that was designed to look like it came from Social Security. It provided information about the annual cost-of-living-adjustment and directed readers to a website designed to look like Social Security's site so people could "update their information" — valuable information to identity thieves and criminals.

In an effort to combat such scams, we want to make one thing perfectly clear: Social Security will not send you an email asking you to give us your personal information, such as your Social Security number, date of birth, or other private information. If someone saying they are from Social Security does email you requesting information, don't respond to the message. Instead, contact your local Social Security office or call us at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) to see whether we really need any information from you.

Whatever you do, don't fall victim to a scam. Don't give out your personal information.

Social Security and the Office of Inspector General (OIG) take these scams very seriously. We do everything we can to stop the perpetrators and educate the public. To report suspicious activity, please call the OIG Hotline at 1-800-269-0271. (If you are deaf or hard of hearing, call the OIG TTY number at 1-866-501-2101.) A Public Fraud Reporting form is also available online at OIG's website: [www.socialsecurity.gov/oig](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/oig).

Of course, there are times when Social Security may contact you to update your information. At such times, you will always receive prior notification from us by mail or telephone before a personal visit is made. When in doubt, contact us at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) and we can verify the identity of the Social Security employee who has contacted you.

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## 2008 MILWAUKEE BREWERS GIFT CERTIFICATES ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE NOW!

**Gift Certificates** are good towards the purchase of tickets to any 2008 Milwaukee Brewers baseball games at Miller Park and Spring Training home games at Maryvale, Arizona.

Brewers Gift Certificates are outstanding gifts to give as gifts for birthdays and holidays. Give the gift of Brewers baseball to everyone on your list!



To purchase 2008 Gift Certificates, contact the Miller Park Ticket Office at 414-902-4000 or online at [www.brewers.com](http://www.brewers.com).

### GIFT CERTIFICATE GUIDELINES:

- Gift Certificates are available in denominations of \$25, \$50 and \$100
- Gift Certificates are only redeemable for Brewers 2008 regular season tickets at Miller Park and 2008 Spring Training home game tickets at Maryvale, Arizona.
- Gift certificates can be redeemed at the Miller Park Ticket Office or by mail: Brewers Ticket Office; One Brewers Way - Miller Park; Milwaukee, WI 53214.
- Tickets subject to availability.
- Gift Certificates are redeemable for tickets and parking only.
- Certificates are NOT redeemable for concession or souvenir items.

Certificates expire on September 30, 2008.

To inquire about season tickets for the 2008 Milwaukee Brewers season, contact the Milwaukee Brewers Ticket Sales Department at (414) 902-4100 or [www.brewers.com](http://www.brewers.com).

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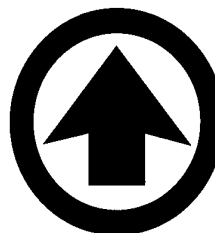
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**Reduced Fare Tickets 10 for \$10**

**Paratransit (Transit Plus) Fare  
remains the same**



**ElderLink**

**TTY:**

**289 - 8591**

**Aging Resource Center  
of Milwaukee County**

**Toll Free:**

**866 - 229 - 9695**

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**(414) 289 - 6874**

[www.milwaukee.gov/county/aging](http://www.milwaukee.gov/county/aging)



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Email: [sales@midwestmobility.com](mailto:sales@midwestmobility.com)

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Toll Free: (800) 809-3738  
Fax: (630) 794-9136  
Email: [christinec@midwestmobility.com](mailto:christinec@midwestmobility.com)

**Midwest Mobility, Inc. (Rockford/Wisconsin Area)**  
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Phone: (815) 544-9600  
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Fax: (815) 544-5513  
Email: [sales@midwestmobility.com](mailto:sales@midwestmobility.com)

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Fax: (262) 520-1117  
Email: [robertb@midwestmobility.com](mailto:robertb@midwestmobility.com)

**Midwest Mobility, Inc. (Madison/Wisconsin Area)**  
4221 Nakoosa Trail  
Madison, WI 53714  
Phone: (608) 241-0600  
Toll Free: (800) 648-1346  
Fax: (608) 241-0000  
Email: [sales@midwestmobility.com](mailto:sales@midwestmobility.com)

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### CUDAHY

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1995 E. Norse Ave.

### VAN FOR SALE

1995 Ford Windstar, power wheelchair ramp equipped, full power side door, automatic ramp, & kneeling system (hand controls available). EZ-Lock tie down system, for both Driver and Passenger Seats, 10" lowered floor inside van, well maintained & in excellent condition. \$8,500 or best offer

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Safari Scooter (Ranger All Season) One year old and never used. Red plush seat and black mirror, fold-up armrests, and more. Was \$3,000 new. Will sell for \$1,000.

Call Bev @ 414-540-0064

## NEED THIS SPACE?

For advertising opportunities please contact Tim at the following.

414-278-3930

[technikowski@milwcnty.com](mailto:technikowski@milwcnty.com)

### CHAIR LIFT FOR SALE

Pride Chair Lift. Brown. Very good condition. Used for 1 year. Cost \$1,000 new. Asking \$250.

Call Jeff @ 414-475-6308

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### JAZZY WHEELCHAIR PARTS FOR SALE

Jazzy 1103 Power Wheelchair. Battery 10 months old; drive wheels 18 months old. Chair is eight years old and non-operable.

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Call 414-764-5125

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# FREE Income Tax Preparation\*

\*FREE VITA tax preparation service is only available if you earned less than \$45,000 annually.

- **Free E-Filing of your tax return**
- Assistance with the **Earned Income Tax Credit**.
- Assistance with other credits.
- **Opportunity to Receive Your Refund in as few as 7-10 days** with direct deposit and **Refund Splitting**
- Free preparation of **Prior-Years' Tax Returns\***

## **Other services provided:** (subject to eligibility requirements)

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- **Money Management and Credit Repair** workshops\*
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- Information on **Energy Assistance\***
- Assistance with the **completion of FAFSA's forms\*\***

\*Super Site locations only

\*\*SDC Richards Street location only

**FREE TAX PREPARATION LOCATIONS are listed on the back.**



Call **(414) 963-2694** or **2-1-1**  
for more information  
or go to **www.cr-sdc.org**



# Information for **FREE** Tax Preparation

## WHERE TO GO: January 14 - April 15, 2008

### Milwaukee - North

#### **SDC-Richards** ♦ ♿

4041 N. Richards Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53212  
Mon, Wed & Fri: 9 am - 4:30 pm  
Tue & Thu: 9 am - 6 pm  
Sat: 9 am - 12:30 pm

**Senior citizens served immediately!**

**Site will be closed 3/21/08**

#### **SDC-Teutonia** ♦ ♿

6848 N. Teutonia Avenue  
Milwaukee, WI 53209  
Mon - Fri: 9 am - 4:30 pm  
Sat: 9 am - 12:30 pm

**Senior citizens served immediately!**

**Site will be closed 3/21/08**

#### **UMOS-Central** ♿

4030 N. 29th Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53216  
**Beginning February 5, 2008**

Tue: 9 am - 4 pm

Wed: 9 am - 5:30 pm

**Appointments recommended!**

**414-486-5200**

#### **Maximus - North** ■ ♿

6550 N. 76th Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53223  
**Beginning February 20, 2008**  
Wed: 9 am - 6 pm

#### **Silver Spring Neighbor. Ctr.** ■ ♿

5460 N. 64th Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53218  
**Beginning February 7, 2008**  
Thu: 12 pm - 4 pm

### Milwaukee - Central

#### **MATC-Downtown** ♿

Room M173  
1015 N. 6th Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53223  
(Enter at 6th and Highland)  
**Beginning January 29, 2008**

Tue: 5 pm - 7 pm

Sat: 9 am - 2 pm

**Senior citizens served immediately!**

**Site will be closed 3/22 & 3/25/08**

#### **Aurora Family Services** ♿

3200 W. Highland Boulevard  
Milwaukee, WI 53208  
Tue: 5 pm - 7:30 pm

#### **First Service Credit Union** ■

333 N. 35th Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53208  
Sat: 10 am - 1 pm

### Milwaukee - South

#### **SDC-Southside** ♦ ♿

931 W. Madison Avenue  
Milwaukee, WI 53204  
Mon - Fri: 9 am - 4:30 pm  
Sat: 9 am - 12:30 pm  
**Senior citizens served immediately!**  
**Site will be closed 3/21/08**

#### **MATC-Oak Creek** ♿

6665 S. Howell Avenue  
Oak Creek, WI 53154  
**Beginning January 30, 2008**  
**Ending April 11, 2008**  
Wed: 4 pm - 7 pm  
Sat: 9 am - 12 pm  
**Site closed 3/22, 3/26 & 3/29/08**

#### **Airport Executive Center** ♿

#### **Consumer Credit Counseling Services**

4915 S. Howell Avenue, Suite 102  
Milwaukee, WI 53207  
Thu: 5:30 pm - 8 pm  
Sat: 9 am - 12 pm

#### **UMOS - Chase Avenue** ■ ♿

2701 S. Chase Avenue  
Milwaukee, WI 53207  
Tue: 8 am - 4:30 pm  
**Except 2/12/08**

#### **Milwaukee Health Dept.** ■ ♿

#### **Southside Health Center**

1639 S. 23rd Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53204  
Fri: 9 am - 4 pm  
**Except 2/8 & 3/21/08**

**Please note: All sites operate on a first come, first served basis except where indicated and reserve the right to end registration when they reach their capacity or when necessary.**

#### ♦ **SUPER SITES**

■ **Supported by the Mobile Team**

♿ **Handicapped Accessible**

## WHAT TO BRING:

- Social Security cards (or ITIN cards) for you, your spouse (if joint return is filed) and all dependents.
- Picture identification.
- **Taxpayers filing a joint return must both be present when the tax returns are prepared. Both spouses must sign a joint tax return**
- All informational statements, including but not limited to:
  - Wages statements - (Form(s) W-2) and 1099;*
  - Interest and Dividend statements - (Form(s) 1099-INT and 1099-DIV);*
  - Mortgage interest statements - (Form(s) 1098);*
  - Pension and Social Security statements - (Form(s) 1099-R and SSA-1099);*
  - Tuition payments statements - (Form(s) 1098-T); and*
  - Property tax receipts for any property taxes paid in 2007.*
- Information about any other sources of income, both taxable and nontaxable, and deductions and expenses you may have such as charitable contributions and child care expenses. If you have childcare expenses please have your childcare providers' taxpayer id number.
- A completed signed rent certificate or copy of your 2007 property tax bill if you are claiming the Wisconsin Homestead credit. You will also need a printout of any Wisconsin Works (W-2) payments, child support, or kinship payments you have received.
- A voided check for a checking account direct deposit or a deposit slip for a savings account direct deposit of your refund. Direct deposit is the fastest way to get your refund.
- A complete copy of your 2006 federal and state income tax returns is helpful but not required.



**MILWAUKEE COUNTY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**  
**DISABILITIES SERVICES DIVISION**  
**IS PLEASED TO PRESENT A:**  
**BILINGUAL (SPANISH / ENGLISH)**  
**LONG-TERM CARE REFORM INFORMATION FORUM**

**Learn how the delivery of long-term support services is changing in  
Milwaukee County and what that change could mean for you!**

This Forum will be held for Milwaukee County residents with disabilities under age 60, their families and guardians, to discuss proposed changes in the delivery of County-administered long-term support services. Long-term support services include personal care, home delivered meals, respite care, residential options, day and work services, transportation, home modifications and other services that promote independence.

The information will be presented in Spanish and you will be able to ask questions in Spanish.

**The Forum will be held:**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16 from 12:30-2:30 at  
United Community Center 1028 South 9th Street, Milwaukee**

**TOPICS OF DISCUSSION:**

- **Proposed changes in the delivery of long-term support services.**
- **What these changes could mean for you.**
- **Questions and answers.**
- **Your ideas and opinions about the proposed changes.**

Parking is available on the streets around UCC and also in their lot at 6th and Washington Streets. If you have any questions, please call (414) 289-6660. TTY phone number is (414) 289-8573.

*Hosted by:  
Milwaukee County Disabilities Services Division and  
Milwaukee County Department on Aging*

Condado de Milwaukee  
Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos  
Tiene el placer de Presentarles:

**La Asamblea Bilingüe (Inglés y Español) de la Reforma  
De Servicios de Largo-Termino para personas con Incapacidad**

**Averigüe como los servicios de Largo-Termino para personas con Incapacidad van a cambiar en Milwaukee y como estos cambios le afectaran a usted.**

Esta asamblea es para personas incapacitadas, menores de 60 años, Guardianes y familia de los residentes del Condado de Milwaukee. En esta asamblea se discutirán los cambios propuestos por el grupo administrativo del Condado de Milwaukee para los Servicios de Largo-Termino para las personas Incapacitadas. Los Servicios de Largo Termino incluyen los servicios de cuidado personal, comidas entregadas a su casa, servicios de cuidado por corto tiempo, modificaciones para el hogar, además de otros servicios para promover su independencia.

La asamblea se llevara a cabo en Español y usted tendrá la oportunidad de hacer preguntas en Español.

**La Asamblea se llevara a cabo:**

**EL MIERCOLES, 16 DE ENERO de 12:30 hasta las 2:30  
Centro de La Comunidad Unida  
1028 Sur de la Calle 9, en Milwaukee.**

***TEMAS A DISCUTIR:***

- Cambios propuestos hacia los servicios de apoyo a Largo-Termino.
- Como estos cambios le pueden afectar a usted.
- Preguntas y respuestas.
- Sus ideas y opiniones sobre los propuestos cambios cambios.

Habrá estacionamiento disponible en las calles alrededor del Centro de La Comunidad Unida (UCC) y también en el estacionamiento entre la calle 6 y Washington. Favor de llamar al (414) 289-6660 ó al teléfono TTY (414) 289-8573 si tiene alguna pregunta.

La actividad es auspiciada por:  
El Departamento de Servicios para Adultos Incapacitados  
Y el Departamento de Servicios para Envejecientes.



## Milwaukee County - Department of Health & Human Services

### 2008 SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDCARE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Classes held at Marcia P. Coggs Human Service Center: 1220 W. Vliet Street, in Room 104, ENTRANCE THROUGH BACK DOOR. Parents can attend for FREE! See payment instructions below. If you have questions, call Ann or Barbara at **414-289-6558**.

| DATE                                   | CLASS  | DESCRIPTION   |
|--|--|---|
| <b>January 9</b><br>5:45pm - 7:45pm    | <b>How to Administer Medications &amp; G-Tube Feedings</b><br>Joanette Mazar, RN of Penfield Children's Center                           | Learn important techniques for the correct use of the Nebulizer and the gastric feeding tube for children with medical needs. Learn important procedures necessary for administering medications. |
| <b>January 16</b><br>5:45pm - 7:45pm   | <b>Understanding ADHD and Co-Existing Disorders (Mood Disorders &amp; Challenging Behaviors)</b><br>Maureen Keyes, Ph. D<br>UW-Milwaukee | Learn about ADHD and the co-existing disorders that impact a child's ability to cope with this disorder. Learn about successful strategies in caring for children with ADHD.                      |
| <b>January 19</b><br>9:30am - 11:30am  | <b>Autism Spectrum Disorder</b><br>Jennifer Piette, Autism Consultant  | Learn more about Autism and the various spectrum disorders. Learn best practices in caring for a child with this disorder.  |
| <b>January 23</b><br>5:45pm - 7:45pm   | <b>Understanding Spina Bifida</b><br>Katherine Krahling of Spina Bifida Association  | What is Spina Bifida? Learn the most common types of SB, how Folic Acid factors into the disorder along with Latex precautions, allergies and other therapies.                                    |
| <b>February 2</b><br>9:30am - 11:30am  | <b>Reactive Attachment Disorder</b><br>Carolee Malen, LCSW ACSW<br>Malen & Associates  | Learn about children diagnosed with Reactive Attachment Disorder who have challenging behaviors and struggle with a poor self-image. Learn strategies for success with these children.            |
| <b>February 16</b><br>9:30am - 11:30am | <b>Understanding Epilepsy and Seizures</b><br>Allen Natole-Epilepsy Foundation   | Become familiar with the causes and the myths surrounding Epilepsy and Seizures. Learn best practices and what to do or not do for a child during a seizure.                                      |
| <b>February 20</b><br>5:45pm - 7:45pm  | <b>Brain Development in Early Childhood</b><br>Terri Enters-LSS, Birth to Three  | Understand the development and growth of the brain and how this can impact how you care for young children.   |
| <b>March 5</b><br>5:45pm - 7:45pm      | <b>Understanding Down Syndrome</b><br>Jackie Michlig and Andrew Gerbitz,<br>Down Syndrome Assoc. of WI                                   | Learn about children diagnosed with Down Syndrome. Learn how challenges can be overcome, and to make children with differences feel accepted and welcomed in your class.                          |
| <b>March 15</b><br>9:30am - 11:30am    | <b>Feeding &amp; Positioning</b><br>Michelle Nowak Lareau of Penfield Children's Center  | Learn important strategies for caring for children with feeding and swallowing issues and how muscle tone and growth impact how children eat.   |
| <b>March 26</b><br>5:45pm - 7:45pm     | <b>Child Abuse and Neglect</b><br>Jesse Johnson, Easter Seals Kindcare   | Learn more about the signs of child abuse and neglect to help protect the children in your care.  |

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Pre-registration fee is \$10.00/Late payment fee is \$15.00. Mail fee and completed form to: Coggs Center Business Office: 1220 W. Vliet Street, Milwaukee WI 53205. Accepted forms of payment: money order or certified bank check made out to DHHS. NO PERSONAL CHECKS. The Business Office will accept cash from 7:30am-4:00pm. The fees for each class are non-refundable/non-transferable unless class cancels. No payments accepted at class.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Child care name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address to mail certificate: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Last 5 digits of Social Security #** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth** \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

I am a Parent/family member of a child with special needs attending for free and do not need a certificate: YES ☐

I am an Employee: \_\_\_\_\_ I am an Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ PROVIDER # \_\_\_\_\_ (not required)

**CLASS NAMES:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATES:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Need interpreter or special accommodation: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Necesito interprete en Espanol: Si \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Pide 3 dias antes para un interprete.

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**Go to website for class schedule updates: [www.milwaukee.gov/sncc](http://www.milwaukee.gov/sncc)**



## **Need Help? Find it fast on IRS. Gov – Products and Answers**

There is a wealth of free tax information on the IRS Web site, [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) . The IRS has just about everything except the kitchen sink and Shakespearean plays. But even those might have tax implications that can be discovered by a visit to the site.

Individuals and businesses can find answers to almost any question about federal taxes on the web site. During the 2007 filing season, the IRS web site was accessed approximately 150 million times. In fact, during the tax filing season from January through April, [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) is one of the most heavily visited sites on the Internet.

The award-winning IRS Web site has been designed to help you get to the information you need. Helpful links found at the top of the home page will take you directly to topics centered on Individuals, Businesses, Charities and Non-Profits, Government Entities, Tax Professionals, the Retirement Plan Community and Tax Exempt Bonds.

In addition to the latest news coming from the IRS, the homepage can lead you to statistics, news releases and tax tips, local IRS offices, the Taxpayer Advocate Service, and thousands of IRS forms and publications. Frequently asked questions and answers are available or you can use two separate search icons: one by keyword and one by answering “I need to . . .”

There's much, much more. For example, small business owners and the self-employed will find that there are special products and resources made just for them by selecting from among more than two dozen links. There is even an A-Z find-it-fast link for small businesses and a small business workshop video you can view online.

The best way to learn about the IRS Web site is to take some time to browse through the pages of information that interest you the most. Understanding the tax system may never be easy, but the IRS is constantly working to make it easier to find the information you need on [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) .

You can have the advice of tax experts and all of the resources of the IRS right in the comfort and convenience of your home by visiting [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) . If you don't have a computer with internet access, many libraries offer this service.



## News Release

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**Certain Payments to Disabled Veterans Ruled Tax-Free;  
Some May Be Due Refunds**

WASHINGTON — Payments under the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Compensated Work Therapy (CWT) program are no longer taxable and disabled veterans who paid tax on these benefits in the past three years can now claim refunds, the Internal Revenue Service said today.

Recipients of CWT payments will no longer receive a Form 1099 from the Department of Veterans Affairs. Disabled veterans who paid tax on these benefits in tax-years 2004, 2005 or 2006 can claim a refund by filing an amended return using IRS Form 1040X. According to the VA, more than 19,000 veterans received CWT in Fiscal Year 2007.

The IRS agreed with a U.S. Tax Court decision issued earlier this year, which held that CWT payments are tax-free veterans' benefits. In so doing, the agency reversed a 1965 ruling which held that these payments were taxable and required the VA to issue 1099 forms to payment recipients.

According to the VA, the CWT program provides assistance to veterans unable to work and support themselves. Under the program, the VA contracts with private industry and the public sector for work by veterans, who learn new job skills, re-learn successful work habits and regain a sense of self-esteem and self-worth.



Join us as we  
**celebrate our**  
**25th Anniversary**  
January 24, 2008 - 10:00 a.m.  
in the St. Ann Center Atrium

We are going to “Kick-off” a year-long celebration with a very special program.

Our theme for this anniversary year is  
“Celebrating Our Past - Caring for Our Future”

In ‘Celebrating our Past’ we want to thank all those that made St. Ann Center the great place it is and in ‘Caring for our Future’ we are making plans to continually care for our clients as well as our environment by becoming more environmentally conscious and ‘greening’ our facility. Don’t miss this fun filled program.

Join us for cake, coffee and juice following the program.

Wear Green to get in the spirit!



Opening Day  
Adult Day Care  
**1983**

Benevolent Touch  
Program Began  
**1996**

Shepherd House  
Opened  
**1999**

Grand Opening  
New Facility  
**1999**

Overnight  
Respite Opens  
**2007**

25th  
Anniversary  
**2008**





# Wil-O-Way Key Card

## 2008 Application

The Wil-O-Way Key Card is a product of the Milwaukee County Office for Persons with Disabilities and the Wil-O-Way Recreation Program. Membership in the Wil-O-Way Key Card program expands recreational opportunities for persons with disabilities at a reduced or no cost.

*Benefits: \* Access to the Milwaukee County ticket distribution program. \* Receipt of Handy-NEWS & NOTES hard copy. \* Invitation to Milwaukee County recreation and culture special events. \* Information about other low or no cost community recreation events. \* Access to Wil-O-Way programming (Individual members only!).*

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual (\$23)      \_\_\_\_\_ Organization (\$115) – Up to 5 Cards - \_\_\_\_\_ Number Requested

**Please Type or Print.**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

DAY PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EVENING PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

DISABILITY: \_\_\_\_\_

FUNCTIONAL LIMITATIONS (i.e., limited walking, scared of heights, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

MOBILITY DEVICES USED: \_\_\_\_\_ Wheelchair    \_\_\_\_\_ Scooter    \_\_\_\_\_ Walker    \_\_\_\_\_ Cane

\_\_\_\_\_ Crutches    \_\_\_\_\_ Long Leg Braces    \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

DOCTOR'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

DOCTOR'S ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to **Milwaukee County Treasurer.**

Please return this application with proper payment to

Wil-O-Way Key Card  
Office for Persons with Disabilities  
901 N. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 307-B  
Milwaukee WI 53233



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